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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98, Applicants
hereby call the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

JP 2002-18142 to ENIX CORP., published January 22, 2002;

JP 2001-113050 to TAITO CORPORATION, published April 24, 2001;

"Nintendo Dream" by Mainichi Communications, Inc., published November 21, 2002,
volume 7, no. 13, pages 26-29;

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"Weekly FAMITSU" by Enterbrain Inc., published September 20, 2002 (circulated September 13, 2002), volume 17, no. 38, pages 26-29;

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"DORIMAGA" by Softbank Publishing Inc., published September 27, 2002 (circulated September 15, 2002), volume 19, no. 17, pages 40-47;

"DORIMAGA" by Softbank Publishing Inc., published November 8, 2002 (circulated September 15, 2002), volume 19, no. 20, pages 54-59;

"V JUMP" by Shueisha Inc., published November 1, 2002 (circulated September 21, 2002), volume 10, no. 11, pages 65-66;

"V JUMP" by Shueisha Inc., published December 1, 2002, volume 10, no. 12, pages 52-53;

"FAMITSU CUBE PLUS ADVANCE" by Enterbrain Inc., published November 1, 2002 (circulated September 21, 2002), volume 4, no. 11, pages 50-51;

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"MONTHLY DENGKI-OH" by MediaWorks Inc., published December 1, 2002, volume 10, no. 15, pages 44-47;

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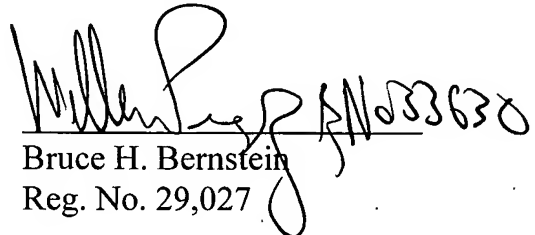
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider and cite the above documents. Copies of the above-noted documents, as well as an English language abstract or translation of the marked portions of each Japanese language document, except for the last two listed, are attached, and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto.

Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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